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"The oil change retail market is an extremely significant portion of the automotive aftermarket. In order to remain operational, internal combustion engine (ICE) vehicles must undergo regular maintenance and oil changes. The oil change retail industry is a large market, with a wide variety of oil change providers ranging from national quick lube chains to franchise dealerships to a local repair shop."

- Buddy Lo, Automotive Analyst

This report looks at the following areas:

- . Nearly half of car owners don't always adhere to recommended oil change intervals
- Synthetic oils increasing mileage intervals between oil changes
- Oil change market extremely fragmented and competitive

For the purposes of this Report, Mintel defines oil change retail as locations that offer oil change facilities and services to the consumer. These may be bundled with other auto maintenance packages or offered as a single service.

Several main types of outlet are covered in this Report: independentrepair shops, fast lube chains, carrepair shops, andcar dealerships.

This Report primarily focuses on sales, trends, and consumerbehavior involving oil change retail outlets. This Report does notcover self-service oil changes at home.

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